GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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CONCESSION FOR STUDENTS OF LAKSHADWEEP
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the concessions provided to the native students of Lakshadweep studying outside the islands in various institutions including the Government recognised self- financing institutions;

(b) whether the Government permits the Scheduled Tribe students of Lakshadweep to study in the Government recognised self-financing institutions in mainland for various courses whenever such courses are not available in the islands;

(c) if so, whether the Government reimburses full fees charged by such recognised educational institutions;

(d) whether there is any proposal from Lakshadweep Administration relating to the payment of fees charged by self-financing institutions and other concessions pending before the Government; and

(e) if so, the time by when it is likely to be settled ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SMT. D. PURANDESWARI)

(a) to (c): Lakshdweep native students who are original inhabitants belonging to Scheduled Tribes are provided concessions including financial assistance under the Lakshdweep Scholarship Rules. All ST students of Lakshdweep who pursue recognized post-matriculation courses in recognized institutions are also entitled to the Post-Matric Scholarship for STs, which is a scheme of Ministry of Tribal Affairs. Under this scheme, the full amount of the fee charged by Government schools/colleges is reimbursed. In respect of seats in private institutions filled up on merit or competition basis, fees are reimbursed to the extent equal to that for students in Government institutions. For management quota seats, fees reimbursed are the same as for comparable courses in Government institutions, but the number of students is limited to the reservation quota for STs in the concerned State/UT.

(d): No, Sir.

(e): Does not arise.